

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES**

In Re: Linda Garafalo, L.P.N.

Petition No. 950816-011-022

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Linda Garafalo (hereinafter "respondent") of Derby, CT, Connecticut has been issued license number 007876 to practice as a licensed practical nurse by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. Respondent administered Trilafon to a patient without physician orders on one occasion in February of 1995.
2. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-99(b)(2).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations at a hearing in front of the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter "the Board").

Linda Garafalo does not admit to having violated any statute or regulation, including but not limited to §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut. Linda Garafalo further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to §§19a-9, 19a-10, and 20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-99(a) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Linda Garafalo hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. That respondent waives her right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. That respondent shall comply with all federal and state statutes and regulations applicable to her profession.
3. That respondent's license number 007876 to practice as a licensed practical nurse in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
4. That this Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the month in which this Consent Order is approved and accepted by the Board.
5. That respondent understands this Consent Order is a matter of public record
6. That the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Board in which (1) her compliance with this same order is at issue, or (2) her compliance with §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
7. That this Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 and 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any other rights that she may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
8. That respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. The Department and respondent

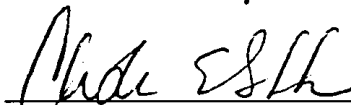
understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.

9. That respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.


I, Linda Garafalo, have read the above Consent Order, and I agree to the terms set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.


Linda Garafalo, L.P.N.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of April 1997.


Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation
Christine E. Tenbrink

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 8th day of April 1997, it is hereby accepted.


Stanley K. Peck, Director
Legal Office

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing on the 10th day of April 1997, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

BY: 
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing